

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY JIDDA

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INFO AMEMBASSY DJIBOUTI

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AMEMBASSY LONDON

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S E C R E T JIDDA 1418

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TAGS: PDEV, PDIP, MOPS, ASEC, DJ,SA, ET

SUBJECT: FRENCH MAKE DEMARCHE IN JIDDA ON ALI MIRAH PROBLEM

REF: (A) DJIBOUTI 199 (B) DJIBOUTI 234

1. REF A WAS NOT RECEIVED IN JIDDA UNTIL FEBRUARY 24.

2. WE QUESTION USEFULNESS OF OUR APPROACHING SAUDIS TO  
PERSUADE THEM NOT TO PERMIT SULTAN ALI MIRAH TO RETURN  
TO DJIBOUTI. FRENCH HAVE ALREADY MADE DEMARCHE AND GOT  
ANSWER THAT CROWN PRINCE FAHD FAVORS SULTAN'S RETURN.

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DJIBOUTI PRESIDENT GOULED IS WILLING TO HAVE SULTAN  
RETURN. EVEN IF SAUDI ARABIA WERE TO CHANGE ITS MIND,  
WHAT IS TO PREVENT SULTAN FROM MOVING TO THIRD COUNTRY  
AND RETURNING FROM THERE?

3. WE BELIEVE THAT BEST PLACE TO PUT PRESSURE TO PRE-  
VENT SULTAN'S RETURN IS GOULED HIMSELF. GOULED WOULD

BE IN BETTER POSITION TO TAKE EFFECTIVE ACTION.

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## Message Attributes

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